

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ A method for continuously producing a coated fabric jacket (1) which comprises at least one gas-tight tube (2) and which is formed from two superimposed sheets (10; 20) of coated fabric (11; 21) formed by warp threads (11a; 21a) and weft threads (11b; 21b), or a coated non-woven fabric, ~~characterised in that~~ the method comprising:

- cutting from at least one other sheet of fabric comprising a coating on one face, at least two strips (15; 25) of fabric (16; 26) formed by warp threads (16a; 26a) and weft threads (16b; 26b), each strip ~~are cut~~ having a specific width and a length which is substantially equal to ~~[[the]]~~ a length of the tube (2) to be produced~~[[,]]~~;

- depositing an adhesive material (18; 28) ~~is deposited~~ on ~~[[the]]~~ a face of each of the strips (15; 25) opposite that covered with the coating (17; 27) ~~[[,]]~~;

- folding each of the strips (15; 25) ~~is folded~~ in two by folding over two half-faces covered with the adhesive material (18; 28) one onto the other in order to retain ~~those~~ the strips (15; 25) in the folded state~~[[,]]~~;

- longitudinally fixing each of the folded strips (15;

25) ~~is longitudinally fixed~~ to the first sheet (10) by positioning ~~[[the]]~~ a separation line (15a; 25a) of the half-faces of each of the strips (15; 25) facing each other in order to determine at least one zone for forming ~~[[a]]~~ the tube (2) ~~[[,]];~~

- depositing an anti-adhesive agent (30) ~~is deposited~~ in the zone and on the face of the first sheet (10) contained between the two adjacent strips (15; 25) ~~[[,]];~~

- pressing the second sheet (20) ~~is pressed~~ on the first sheet (10) and the two sheets (10; 20) are joined together by adhesively-bonding ~~those~~ the sheets (10; 20) in ~~[[the]]~~ connection zones which are not covered with the anti-adhesive agent (30) ~~[[,]];~~ and

- inflating the tube (2) ~~is inflated~~ in order to deploy the two half-faces of each of the strips (15; 25) which forms, at ~~[[the]]~~ an inner side of the tube (2) in ~~[[the]]~~ a region of each joint of the two sheets (10;20), an angled connection which ensures the mechanical properties and the sealing.

2. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the fabric (11; 21) of each sheet (10; 20) is covered with the coating (12; 22) on one face.

3. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to

claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the fabric (11; 21) of each sheet (10;20) is covered with the coating (12; 22) on the two faces.

4. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating (12; 22, 16; 26) is constituted by at least one layer of rubber.

5. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the coating (12; 22, 16; 26) is constituted by at least one layer of plastics material.

6. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the fixing of each folded strip (15; 25) to the first sheet (10) is brought about by applying ~~a slight~~ pressure and by heating each folded strip.

7. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the fixing of each folded strip (15; 25) to the first sheet (10) is brought about by adhesively-bonding each folded strip to the first sheet.

8. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the anti-adhesive agent (30) is constituted by a product which is incompatible with the

coating (12; 22) of the sheets (10; 20), ~~such as, for example, an infusible film, a powder or a dispersion, or a solution of anti-adhesive agent.~~

9. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the adhesion of the two sheets (10; 20) in the zones which are not covered with anti-adhesive agent (30) is brought about by pressing and simultaneously heating the sheets.

10. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the warp threads (11a; 21a) of the fabrics (11; 21) of the two sheets (10; 20) extend parallel with the longitudinal axis of the corresponding sheet (10; 20) and the weft threads (11b; 21b) extend perpendicularly relative to the warp threads (11a; 21a).

11. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the warp threads (16a; 26a) of the fabrics (16; 26) of the two strips (15; 25) extend parallel with the longitudinal axis of the corresponding strip (15; 25) and the weft threads (16b; 26b) extend perpendicularly relative to the warp threads (16a; 26a).

12. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to

claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein after inflation the tube (2) is rectilinear.

13. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the warp threads (11a) of the fabric (11) of the first sheet (10) are inclined relative to the longitudinal axis of that first sheet (10) and the weft threads (11b) of the first sheet (10) extend perpendicularly relative to the warp threads (11a), and in that after the second sheet (20) is pressed on the first sheet (10), the warp threads (21a) of the fabric (21) of the second sheet (20) are inclined relative to the longitudinal axis of that second sheet (20) in a direction counter to the direction of inclination of the warp threads (11a) of the first sheet (10), and the weft threads (21b) of the fabric (21) of the second sheet (20) extend perpendicularly relative to the warp threads (21a) of that second sheet (20).

14. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the warp threads (16a; 26a) and the weft threads (16b; 26b) of the fabrics (16; 26) of the two strips (15; 25) are arranged in an identical manner to the warp threads (11a) and the weft threads (11b) of the first sheet (10), before the strips (15; 25) are folded.

15. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein after inflation, the tube (2) has the form of a torus.

16-20. (canceled)

21. (new) The method according to claim 8, wherein the product which is incompatible with the coating (12; 22) of the sheets (10;20) is an infusible film, a powder or a dispersion, or a solution of anti-adhesive agent.

22. (new) A method for continuously producing a coated fabric jacket (1), the method comprising:

- cutting from at least one sheet of fabric comprising a coating on one face, at least two strips (15; 25) of fabric (16; 26) formed by warp threads (16a; 26a) and weft threads (16b; 26b), each strip having a specific width and a length which is substantially equal to a length of at least one tube (2) to be produced;

- depositing an adhesive material (18; 28) on a face of each of the strips (15; 25) opposite that covered with the coating (17; 27);

- folding each of the strips (15; 25) in two by folding over two half-faces covered with the adhesive material (18; 28) one onto the other in order to retain the strips (15; 25) in the

folded state;

- longitudinally fixing each of the folded strips (15; 25) to a first sheet (10) by positioning a separation line (15a; 25a) of the half-faces of each of the strips (15; 25) facing each other in order to determine at least one zone for forming the tube (2);

- depositing an anti-adhesive agent (30) in the zone and on the face of the first sheet (10) contained between the two adjacent strips (15; 25);

- pressing a second sheet (20) on the first sheet (10) and the two superimposed sheets (10; 20) are joined together by adhesively-bonding the sheets (10; 20) in connection zones which are not covered with the anti-adhesive agent (30); and

- inflating the tube (2) in order to deploy two half-faces of each of the strips (15; 25) which forms, at an inner side of the tube (2) in a region of each joint of the two sheets (10;20), an angled connection which ensures the mechanical properties and the sealing,

wherein the coated fabric jacket (1) is continually produced, and the tube (2) is a gas tight tube which is formed from the two superimposed sheets (10; 20) which are formed of coated fabric (11; 21) formed by warp threads (11a; 21a) and weft threads (11b; 21b), or a coated non-woven fabric.

23. (new) The method according to claim 1, wherein there are a plurality of the tubes.

24. (new) The method according to claim 22, wherein there are a plurality of the tubes.